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Examiner <u>Stephen Castellano</u> Group Art Unit 3727

Box RCE Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 2327 Arlington, VA 22202

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

	This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 o pending prior Application No. 09/844,627 (Confirmation No. 2399), filed on April 27, 2001, of Nancy A. Abbe for METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR STORING FOOD.
	1. Please enter the Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on in Application No
11/20/2002 RLLOYI 01 FC:2801 02 FC:2253	2. Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief filed on in Application No
	3. X An Amendment/Reply is enclosed.
	4. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) is/are enclosed.
	5. A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
	6. A suspension of action on the above-identified patent application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months.
	 A check in the amount of \$370.00 in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.17(e) is enclosed.
	00000002 061075 09844627 8. X Please charge \$370.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 in payment of the fee 370.00 Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.
	9. X The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) in connection with this Request or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.
	10. X Please grant a one-month, two-month, three-month, four-month, extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to the Examiner's Action of May 15, 2002 in the above-identified patent application.
	11. A check in the amount of \$ 460.00 in payment of the extension-of-time fee is enclosed.
	12. X Please charge the extension-of-time fee of \$ 460.00 to Deposit Account

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- 13. X The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension-of-time fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with this paper, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.
- 14. A Submission of Formal Drawings is enclosed.

November 15, 2002 Date

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